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In re Patent Application of

Kurt Plotz

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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Enc	losed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.								
	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.								
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$\infty\$\$ \$55.00 (2814) \$\infty\$\$ \$110.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. \(\) 1.20(d) are also enclosed.								
	Also enclosed is/are								
	Small entity status is hereby claimed.								
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$385.00 (2801) \$770.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).								
	Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.								
	Applicant(s) previously submitted								
	on, for which continued examination is requested.								
	Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.								
	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.								

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	An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below.

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Independent Claims	2	MINUS	3	=	0	x \$86.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00
If Amendment adds m	nultiple depen	dent claim	s, add	l \$	290.00 (1203)		
Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 0.00		
Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 0.00		
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$ 0.00		

A check in the amo	unt of	is enclosed for the fee due
Charge	to Deposit Acc	count No. 02-4800.
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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the Office Action mailed March 1, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: